

# WEATHER FORECAST

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 15.—Northern California: Rain tonight and probably Thursday; brisk to high southeast wind. Southern California: Rain tonight and Thursday; fresh southerly wind.

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## GRANT AFTER THE DEMOCRATS

Will Try to Get Them in Line to Vote for Him.

(Special to The Tribune.)  
SACRAMENTO, March 15.—The university appropriation bill has passed the Senate for \$42,000.  
It is assured passage in the Assembly and it is understood the Governor will sign it.  
Senator Stratton today also secured the passage of the Wilkinson bill appropriating \$14,000 for the blind home at Berkeley.  
The question of adjournment depends upon the stand of the Grant men.  
The Democrats are willing to vote with them on the proposition in return for their support on the Harbor Commission bill.  
The Senatorial situation is unchanged on the surface, though all the candidates are working desperately in view of the possibility of adjournment Saturday.  
Milt Green is said to have had a conference with Assemblyman Mack in Dr. Matthews' office with the object of swinging the Democratic vote to Grant for Senator.  
The Grant people are said to be hard at work to bring about that combination.  
Mack denies having been in conference and says he does not even know Green.  
Caminetti, the Democratic leader, says it will be impossible for Grant to get the Democrats as a whole, though he may be able to get some of them.  
Senator Chapman is said to be willing to vote for Grant.  
Dr. Matthews also denies the alleged conference with Green.  
The Grant people claim that tomorrow Robinson and Lardner, who are now voting for Barnes, will come to them.  
They are centering all their efforts for tomorrow.  
Lardner denies that he will vote for Grant.  
The Barnes men are wrathful over the interview given by Senator Stratton to the Examiner. They say it has a bad effect on their candidate and they deny that their man is out of the race.  
HATTON.

## BOHEMIA BUFFETED BY HEAVY SEAS.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.  
NEW YORK, March 15.—The Steamer Hamburg arrived to-day from Hamburg via St. Michaels, after an eventful passage of forty-three days. The Bohemia left Hamburg January 31, with a general cargo and 127 steerage passengers and encountered a succession of southwest and northwest gales with tremendous seas, which, breaking over the vessel, washed everything movable from the decks, flooded the hold, smashed boats and did other minor damage.  
The steamer ran short of coal and was obliged to bear up at St. Michaels, where she arrived February 21st, February 5th, when five days out from Hamburg, a steerage passenger named Lena Dennebrak, aged 24 years, was taken sick with smallpox and isolated in the ship's hospital. At quarantine the patient was found to be convalescent.

## CANADIAN OARSMEN TO ROW IN ENGLAND.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.  
TORONTO, Ont., Mar. 15.—The Henley Committee of the Argonaut Club has selected the crew for the July trip to England. It was decided to make entries for the Diamond sculls and the Stewards' challenge cup four-oared crews, as well as for the Grand challenge cup. The entries are as follows:  
Diamond sculls—Charles I. A. Goldman, 16; Stewards' challenge cup—Joseph Wright, stroke; Fred Thompson, No. 1; E. A. Thompson, No. 2; H. G. Munz, bow. Grand challenge cup—R. Muttis, 15; George Doherty, 18; Harry Kinston, 15; Joe Wright, 15; Alex. Boyd, 15; Bush Thompson, 15; Fred Thompson, 15; J. N. McKinzie, 15; W. Linton, 15; S. Goer, 15; H. Munz, stroke, 15; R. A. Baker, coxswain, 120.  
Colonials are allowed the privilege of nominating as many as fifteen candidates for an eight-oared crew for Henley, although the home clubs are limited to eight and two spare men.

## TWO DEATHS IN THE WEST INDIES.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.  
WASHINGTON, Mar. 15.—The following dispatches have reached the War Department:  
"SAN JUAN DE PORTO RICO, Mar. 14.—Adjutant General, Washington: Private Thomas A. Pileghar, Company B, Nineteenth Infantry, died at General Hospital, March 13th.  
(Signed)  
HENRY, "Colonel."  
"GUANAJAMO, Mar. 14.—Adjutant General, Washington: Arthur George Green, Company B, Third United States Volunteer Infantry, died March 12th, at 5 P. M., pneumonia.  
(Signed)  
RAY, "Colonel."

## YOUNG CATTLE THIEF CAUGHT AT LANCASTER

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.  
LOS ANGELES, March 15.—The Sheriff here has received word of the arrest and detention at Lancaster, in the northern part of the county, of Silas Duntley, a 19-year-old boy, who will be tried for cattle stealing. Duntley is a relative of the leader of the notorious Vandekar gang of rustlers that was broken up by the officers a few years ago.  
The boy, it is alleged, has been stealing cattle for a long time, and he has quite a bank account. A trap was laid for him and he has confessed to stealing cattle from the Port Cajon ranch. He will be examined at Lancaster on Friday.

## WALTERS, THE NAPA MURDERER, MAY SOON DIE.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.  
VALLEJO, Cal., Mar. 15.—It is feared that Jesse Walters, the Napa murderer, will never be tried for his heinous crime. An operation was performed on Walters' right leg and the bullet from Cook's revolver removed therefrom. His leg is in a very bad condition, and the physicians attending him are of the opinion that the leg will have to be amputated. Walters is now in very poor health, and should amputation become necessary it is feared Walters will not survive.

## PREMIER OF SPAIN INVOKES AID OF FRANCE.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.  
LONDON, Mar. 15.—A special dispatch from Madrid says Premier Silvela, in an interview just published there, spoke in favor of the intervention of France for the purpose of obtaining permission from the United States for Spain to resume direct negotiations for the release of the Spanish prisoners held by the Philippine rebels.

## M'KINLEY ENJOYING HIS VACATION.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.  
THOMASVILLE, Ga., Mar. 15.—President McKinley began his vacation here with a morning of complete rest. Secretary Cortelyou said today that while he no business will be brought to the attention of the President unless some great event in Cuba, Porto Rico or the Philippines made it necessary.  
It is probable the President will go to Jekyll Island, near Brunswick, before returning, having been invited to do so by ex-Secretary of the Interior Bliss.

## SPLENDID VICTORY.

Two Thousand Rebels Our Brave Soldiers Are Routed With Heavy Loss. Are Sweeping All Before Them.

Associated Press Dispatches by the Tribune's Special Leased Wire.  
MANILA, March 15.—4:45 p. m.—General Lloyd Wheaton, commanding the United States flying column, attacked and defeated a force of 2,000 Filipinos at Pasig this afternoon, inflicting a heavy loss upon them.  
The American loss was slight.  
The Americans captured 350 Filipinos.  
Many bodies of rebels killed in the engagement are floating down the river.  
6:55 p. m.—Private Fornoff, Company L, Twentieth Regiment, was killed.  
Private Newman, Company F, Twentieth Regiment, is wounded.  
Private Carroll, Company A, Twenty-second Regiment, is wounded.  
Private Marshall, Company B, Twenty-second Regiment, is wounded.  
Private Coombs, Company C, Twenty-second Regiment, is wounded.  
Private Rogers, Company L, Twenty-second Regiment, is wounded.  
About 350 Filipinos surrendered at the town of Tagulig to the Washington Regiment, and 175 Filipinos were captured at Pasig by the Twentieth Regiment.  
Our troops found 106 dead Filipinos and 100 new graves near Pasig.  
The prisoners were unarmed, and therefore it is presumed they executed their threat of throwing their arms into the river.

## OTIS TELLS OF THE ROUTING OF THE FILIPINOS.

WASHINGTON, March 15.—The following dispatch from General Otis has been received:  
"MANILA, March 15.—Adjutant-General, Washington: Three thousand insurgents moved down last night to towns of Pasig and Pateros, on shore of Laguna bay, fronting Wheaton's troops on Pasig river line. By heavy fighting Wheaton has dislodged and driven them back, taking 400 prisoners and inflicting heavy loss in killed and wounded. He reports his loss very moderate. He now occupies these towns with sufficient force to hold them.  
OTIS."

## AGUINALDO'S HEADQUARTERS OUR OBJECTIVE.

LONDON, March 15.—The Evening News this afternoon publishes the following dispatch from Manila:  
General Wheaton has completely routed the Filipinos and has occupied Pasig, Tagulig and Pateros. Several hundred of the enemy were killed and as many more were captured.  
General Otis says this is the greatest victory since February 5th. The Americans will now press toward Aguinaldo's headquarters.

## OTIS CABLES A LIST OF HIS CASUALTIES.

WASHINGTON, March 15.—General Otis has cabled the following list of casualties suffered by the United States troops:  
"MANILA, March 14.—Adjutant-General, Washington: Casualties, March 13, near Calocan: Killed—Twentieth Infantry, Company L, Private James W. Kline.  
Near Guadalupe: Killed—Twenty-second Infantry, Company B, Private George Steward; K. Winn P. Munson, D. Wesley, G. Hennessy.  
"Wounded—Twenty-second Infantry, Company M, Private William Rennshart, leg, moderate; D. Willett Herman, scalp, slight; William S. O'Brien, head, severe; Joseph Mubahille, scalp, slight; M. Theodore A. Misner, finger, severe; Dan Carroll, forearm, slight; E. John Hoffman, thigh, severe; I. John Blasek, chest, severe; David Muhlolland, arm, moderate.  
"Twentieth Infantry, K, Corporal Chris H. Thompson, side, severe; B. Private Charles Simon, back, moderate; K. Thomas Miller, hand, severe; D. Frank Nash, knee, severe; M. Richard P. Piper, thigh, slight; G. Lester M. Folger, neck, slight; H. Charles Sharkey, thigh, slight; Charles Davis, neck, severe.  
Second Oregon, B, Private Walter Irwin, foot, moderate, accidental injury.  
"Twenty-second Infantry, B, Corporal Charles J. Usley, contusion, side.  
"Twentieth Infantry, E, Private William Sampson, sprained ankle; M. Adolph G. Woopier, sprained ankle; B. Peter J. Phelan, hand, moderate; F. Corporal John E. Hoffman, sprained ankle.  
"March 14th, near Guadalupe: Killed, First Washington, E, Private Ralph Van Buskirk.  
"Wounded, Second Oregon, D, Privates Alford O. Carden, chest, severe; F. W. O. B. Dodson, ankle, slight; E. Charles J. Olson, foot, severe.  
(Signed) "OTIS."

## BIDS FOR THE GATES RECEIVED.

Contractors Who Would Like to Do the Work.

The regular meeting of the Board of Public Works was held this morning. Commissioners Thomas and Clement were present and Dow was absent.  
As this was the time set for receiving the bids for the gates and improvements on Twelfth street dam, there were a number of contractors on hand.  
Fred Peterson of the firm of Johnson & Peterson asked the Board to continue the matter a week. He stated as a reason for this that his attorney wished to appear before the Board in regard to the legal points involved, but, owing to sickness, could not be present today.  
The petition was denied, and Peterson did not put in a bid.  
But four bids were received, as follows:  
Cotton Brothers & Co., gates, culverts and canal way complete, \$38,000; 17,000 feet piling, \$5,000. Accompanied by certified check for \$25,000.  
J. A. Marshall, gates, culverts and canal way complete, \$16,902.40; 17,000 feet piling, \$3,777.50.  
Dundon Bridge and Construction Co., gates, culverts and canal way, \$21,803; 17,000 feet of piling, 32 cents per foot.  
Williams Brothers, gates, \$15,820; 17,000 feet piling, 33 cents per foot.  
The bids were referred to the City Attorney.  
The Board then disposed of considerable routine business, after which the Police and Fire Commissioners met and passed a number of claims.  
Licensed to Harry.  
William Leo Williams, San Francisco.  
Blanche Harrington, San Francisco.  
Harry Pinkelstein, San Francisco.  
Marie Talane, San Francisco.

## WILL SNUB THE CUBAN ASSEMBLY

War Department Cannot Recognize Its Committee.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.  
WASHINGTON, Mar. 15.—The committee which was appointed yesterday by the Cuban Military Assembly at Havana to come to Washington to secure recognition, it can be stated, will not be recognized in any official capacity.  
The War Department officials are actuated by a conviction that they are bound by reasons of sound policy to avoid carefully any official recognition except to such a fully representative body as shall be created by all of the Cuban people through the exercise of the right of franchise.  
In making the payments to the Cuban soldiers which have been arranged for by Secretary Alger, the personality of the Cuban commanders will play little part. The soldiers are to be dealt with individually, and the money will be handled only by the United States army paymasters, receipts being taken from the individual.

## EXPLOSION OF A CRUISER'S BOILER

Three Men Killed on British Warship Terrible.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.  
DEVENPORT, England, Mar. 15.—The British first class cruiser Terrible has arrived here from Malta, and reports that a boiler explosion on board her, Monday, killed a stoker, fatally injured two men and badly scalded several others.  
The Terrible is a sister ship of the Powerful. The latter, which is now in Manila bay, has been most unfortunate, having experienced a continuous series of accidents and breakdowns since she was launched.  
The British first class cruisers Terrible and Powerful are steel sheathed vessels of 14,000 tons displacement, 50 feet long, 71 feet beam and 25,000 indicated horse power.  
Baron's Life in the Balance.  
Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.  
CHICAGO, Mar. 15.—Arguments ended today in the trial of Baron von Bloembergen, charged with the murder of Constable Charles McDonald. A verdict is expected this evening.

## AWFUL DEED OF A WOMAN.

Throws Vitriol in a Rival's Face and Burns Both Her Eyes Out.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.  
ST. LOUIS, March 15.—City detectives are looking for an unknown woman who called at the residence of Mrs. M. F. McVean, a widow, and threw vitriol in the lady's face, blinding her and causing burns that may result fatally.  
Several weeks ago Mrs. McVean caused a sensation by appearing at police headquarters with a box of candy, which she said she had received through the mails. She charged a prominent young woman of this city with having sent it to her because she was jealous of the attentions paid Mrs. McVean by a well known West End physician.  
Mrs. McVean is unconscious and blind. Her family and physicians will not permit her to be seen.  
Before becoming unconscious Mrs. McVean told her sister, Miss Mollie McGraw, that a strange woman, whom she described, called her to the door by ringing the bell and threw the contents of a bottle of vitriol into her face. No other person than Mrs. McVean saw the acid thrown. No one saw the strange woman about the place.

## THE COMMONS DEFEAT PETROLEUM MEASURE.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.  
LONDON, March 15.—In the House of Commons today Mr. Harold James Rickett, Liberal member for the Brigg division of Lincolnshire, moved the second reading of the bill raising the flash point of petroleum from 73 to 100. In so doing he said that it would not add appreciably to the cost, as many firms had offered to supply oil at 100 flash point at only half a cent per gallon dearer than the present price.  
Harry Kimber moved the rejection of the bill on the ground that it was vetted protection at the expense of American oils. Mr. Robert Grant Webster, Conservative member, asked how the bill would be considered in the United States, adding:  
"We ought not to injure a nation which is at present becoming more and more friendly toward us."  
THE BILL REJECTED.  
LONDON, March 15.—The petroleum bill was rejected by the House of Commons today by a vote of 244 to 159.

## ITALIAN MINERS WILL BE DISCHARGED.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.  
DENVER, Colo., Mar. 15.—A special to the Times from Lake City, Colo., says:  
The Italian strike leaders at the Hidden Treasure and Ute and Ulay mines have agreed to surrender tomorrow the men for whom warrants have been issued on account of the disturbance yesterday.  
If this be not done, Sheriff Deek will advise the Governor for aid in order to afford protection to miners who wish to take the places of the Italian strikers.  
The mine superintendents have agreed to discharge all of the 200 Italians who have been employed in the mines. They will all be paid off this afternoon.

## STEAMER DIRIGO TOWED TO JUNEAU.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.  
VICTORIA, B. C., March 15.—The steamer Dirigo was picked up by the Victoria steamer Tees and towed to Juneau.

## Another Combine.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.  
CHICAGO, Mar. 15.—Fifty dealers in photographic supplies in the West and Central States, together with a number of manufacturers, held a secret conference here today. It was hinted that a rise in prices might be expected.  
A. L. Jones of Fort Wayne, Ind., said there would be nothing in the nature of a trust formed, but that the organization would be probably accomplished, including the dealers and manufacturers of the East and West.

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## LEADVILLE PUMPMEN STILL IMPRISONED.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.  
LEADVILLE, Colo., Mar. 15.—It was hoped to rescue today Charles Reuss and Albert Frey, the pumpmen, who have been imprisoned in the Ben Air mine six days in consequence of the caving in of the walls of the shaft, but the rescuing party was disappointed.  
A new shaft was sunk to a depth of seventy-three feet, and a drift was then run to the old shaft, but it was found to be clogged at that point with broken timbers and debris. It was therefore necessary to sink the new shaft further, and the two men will remain prisoners underground some time longer. They are well supplied with provisions and are not suffering much hardship.

## NO CHANGE IN PENNSYLVANIA.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.  
HARRISBURG, Pa., March 15.—No change in the ballot for United States Senator today.

## Smallpox Dying Out.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.  
LOS ANGELES, March 15.—The health officer has found no new cases of smallpox in this city for two days past, and today visited only two suspects. His opinion is that the disease is gaining no foothold here and will soon be stamped out.

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Executrix of the estate of John F.  
Woods, deceased.  
Dated and signed January 24th 1896

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS.**  
Estate of Edward McKee, deceased.

signed executrices of the last will and testament of Edward Meeks, deceased, the creditors of and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to exhibit them, with the necessary vouchers, within ten months after the first publi-

at the residence of Mrs. Blanche Heath, No. 258 Twenty-third street, Oakland, Alameda county, California, same being the place for the transaction of the business of the said estate in county of Alameda, State of California.

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**LOS ANGELES, March 15.**—Mrs. Edward W. Crowell, the wife of a well-known business man, is in a critical condition today as the result of an accident which occurred last night.

Mrs. Crowell was in the crowd at Simpson's Tabernacle endeavoring to gain an entrance when the doors were opened for the entertainment given by Sousa's band. She was crowded off the steps and fell several feet, striking on her head.

Several doctors were working with her all night, but her condition is very serious today.

## INGLESIDE BETTORS APPEAR IN COURT.

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 15.—When the cases of the twenty bookmakers and others arrested at Ingleside track yesterday for violation of the anti-betting ordinance came up for hearing today the attorneys retained by the track stopped forward and asked for a dismissal on the ground that no formal complaint had been filed. This motion was denied by Judge Mc

The roof of the Sloss furnace casting house was blown off. The laundry of the Avondale mills was destroyed and a dozen cottages at that place were leveled to the ground. Between Avondale and Woodlawn the steam passed up Fifth avenue and moved every house it struck from its foundation. At Woodlawn a machine shop, two negro churches and several cottages were destroyed.

Mrs. Annie Johnson, who occupied an old store on the Fifth avenue road, was buried in the fall of the timber, but is not fatally hurt. The damage as far as known will amount to about \$20,000.

**BYN TO LECTURE**

The pull bearers were Police Captain Sam Mitchell, Lin Church, Myron Holcomb, Fred Sinclair, Dave Bortree and Leslie Burpee.

The Masonic Quartet sang several selections. The members of the quartet are: Mr. A. Melvin, George Chaffon, Alfred Wyckoff and Ben Clark.

Many handsome floral pieces emblematic of the order, as well as many others of beautiful design, were sent.

After the services at the hall the remains were escorted to Mountain View Cemetery, where interment took place.

## NOTES FROM 'THE POLICE COURT.

Judge Smith sentenced John Hanson this morning to thirty-five days in the

to be shown, required, the said plaintiff will have judgment for any money or damages demanded in the complaint as arising from the said contract, together with the said interest from August 2nd, 1895, at the rate of nine per cent per annum according to the terms of the said contract, and for the further sum of \$20.49 with interest thereon at one per cent per month from the 3rd day of November, 1898, and the further sum of \$12.50 with interest thereon at the rate of one per cent per month from the 2nd day of February, 1899, and for costs and disbursements. And the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Given under my hand and the seal of the County of Alameda, State of California, this 9th day of December, A. D. 1899.

(Superior Court) FRANK C. JORDAN, Clerk.

By R. D. ADAMS, Deputy Clerk.

E. M. MELROY, No. 925 Broadway St., Oakland, Attorney for Plaintiff.

Woods, deceased.  
 Oakland, January 24th, 1899.  
 I, **JOHN C. CUTLER**, Attorney at Law,  
 922 Broadway, Oakland, Cal.

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**NOTICE TO CREDITORS.**

Estate of Edward Meeks, deceased.  
 Notice is hereby given by the under-  
 signed, executors of the last will and  
 testament of Edward Meeks, deceased, to  
 creditors of and all persons having  
 claims against the said deceased, to ex-  
 amine them, with the necessary vouchers,  
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 tion of this notice, to the said execu-  
 tions, at the residence of Mrs. Blanche T.  
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# WITH AMATEURS IN LOCAL CLUBS.

## Basket Ball at the Y.M.C.A. ==Boxing at Reliance and Acme.

### A Tournament Is Arranged by Golfers.

The clubs in this city are now trying to keep strictly within the amateur lines. This is as it should be. The local organizations should be thoroughly amateur in every respect or they should go into the professional business. The principal sporting events of the week will be found following:

#### The Umpire.

The Oakland Canoe Club will visit the battleship Iowa Sunday if the weather be propitious. On the following Sunday there will be a handicap race on the estuary for the slings of the club.

In the Oakland Navy races Sunday the canoe men had a rather disagreeable time of it owing to the stiff breeze. Several of them were upset, but aside from a ducking were little the worse for wear. Chief Murrell, in the "Gnat," was overturned. He righted his craft but he was compelled to make for the shore in a drive, as his boat was completely submerged.

Five members of the Enclinal Recreation Club attracted considerable attention Sunday by riding about the streets of the city on the Orient quintet. They wore their yellow sweaters and made a very neat appearance.

While it is not generally known, there is a State law against killing robins. As these birds are subjected to a wanton slaughter every spring the section of the Penal Code is given here with the hope that the time of killing the robins will take warning. The law reads as follows:

"Every person within the State of California shall at any time, hunt, shoot, shoot at, take, kill or destroy, buy, sell, give away or receive in his possession except for the purpose of propagation or for education or scientific purposes, any English sky-lark, robin, canary, hummingbird, thrush or mockingbird, or any bird of the kind, or any plumage thereof, or any skin, or the nest or take or destroy or offer for sale the eggs of any of the said birds." It is guilty of a misdemeanor, and "any person found guilty of a violation of any of the provisions of this section shall be fined in a sum not less than twenty dollars, etc."

Under the State law any constable or peace officer is empowered to arrest offenders against its provisions.

The many friends of "Plunger" Bill Martin will read with interest the following extract from a letter from South Africa, where Bill is sojourning and incidentally picking up a little African gold:

"Some South African records were smashed at a meeting held at Durban, Natal, in January. The contestants were Martin and Van Heerden. Martin won the half mile in 1:20 by half a length; the two miles in 4:34 by half a length; the three miles in 7:36 by a length and a half. The five-mile race was won by Van Heerden in 11:58 by a length, breaking the Colonial record, which stood at 12:15. Martin, from a flying start, lowered the National record for the half mile from 1:01 3-5 to 1:05 4-5, and covered the quarter mile in 0:27 1-5. Van Heerden did the half in 0:54 1-5. During the first quarter in 0:27 1-5, H. L. Jenkins of Cape Town did the quarter mile backwards in 1:07. The popularity of the sport was attested by an attendance of 5,000."

There has been a great deal of talk about that Olympic club fight. Some of the newspapers, in order to try and get a chance to work Chief Leach, have claimed that the fight was a brutal affair. As a matter of fact it was simply an ordinary boxing affair. Chief Leach and his friend, Captain Jack Seymour, were unjustly assailed by the crowd. Both of them are good workers, and would not stand for anything that was not right. They are both good workers, faithful officers and the best detectives in the United States. I really do not believe that for cleverness the work Leach and Seymour can be beaten in this country. But let us get back to the point on boxing. Here is a report received by the chief regarding that Olympic boxing affair:

"San Francisco, March 6, 1899.

"I, W. Leach, Esq., Chief of Police, City: Sir—I would respectfully report I was in my official capacity at the amateur boxing tournament given by the Olympic Club at their club rooms on Post street, San Francisco, March 6, 1899. I noticed in one of the daily papers that you mentioned to me not to stop the contest.

"In reply to that I would state you did not motion to me to stop the contest, nor did I see you there on said evening, nor did I know you were there until after the entertainment was over. I did not hear anyone ask that said contest be stopped.

"As to the contest itself, McGee was bleeding from the nose quite freely, and I called Mr. Hammerstein's attention to it. He had the time-keeper stop the contest. In the sixth and last round, when McGee stood up to box, his nose was not bleeding. His nose commenced bleeding later and after about one or one and a half minutes boxing the song sounded and the contest ended.

"I saw McGee after the contest and he was not injured in any way, and all I could see or notice outside of the bleeding nose was a discoloration of one of his eyes. I saw nothing brutal in the contest. Respectfully,

"JOHN B. MARTIN,  
"Sergeant of Police."

The following peculiar story is going

the rounds of the cycling press. It is to the effect that a recent bicycle race in Sydney, Australia, was won by a dead man.

It occurred at a big electric light carnival. In a one-mile race there were fifty entries, some of the fastest men in Australia taking part in it. While 10,000 people watched this particular race, which was for a magnificent cup, young James Somerville passed under the tape a winner and a dead man. At the start he quickly forged ahead, closely followed by another crack rider named Percy Clark. They cut forty-eight riders away in the rear and shot around the track almost wheel to wheel. When within twenty-five yards of the tape Somerville, who still led by half a wheel, was seen to relax his hold on the handlebars. His pedals whirled around, however, and he pluckily held his position. Five yards from the tape Clark put, on a tremendous spurt and struck Somerville's hind wheel, shooting the machine with its chain almost inanimate burden like a rocket under the tape. The crowd yelled wildly, but silence ensued when Somerville, after crossing the tape, plunged head foremost from the machine on the hard track. When plucked up he was dead. Physicians who examined his body said he must have had an attack of heart failure on the last lap.

THE UMPIRE.

#### Reliance Club.

An excellent program has been arranged for a gentleman's night to be given on the 31st inst. The principal event will be an eight-round go between Mose La Fontesse, champion of the Northwest, and Harry Pigeon. La Fontesse has fought several times in this vicinity and made a good impression. Pigeon was for a number of years the sparring partner of Tommy Ryan, and has a reputation for grit and cleverness that insures an interesting bout. At present he is with Kid McCoy.

Another go which will present an interesting aspect will be an eight-round contest between the clever little ring general, "Doc" Flynn and Emil Dahle. Flynn is a great favorite with Oakland audiences, his game and clever work making for him a warm spot in the hearts of the local pugilists. Dahle is well known across the bay, where he has won some clever bouts.

The popular stand-by, Jack McMahon, is also down for a go possibly with Harry Eustice. Mac can always be depended upon to make a contest interesting, which fact is well known. In addition to the above there will be two or three tryouts.

The handball tournament is rapidly drawing to a close. Monday evening Williamson and Mahoney beat Eagan and Martin of the Olympics by a score of 51 to 37. The Olympics are in the lead, but Eagan and Martin have two games to play with Jelliet Brothers. Should the latter team win both games they will be a tie. In the event of its becoming necessary to play off a tie, Jelliet Brothers have an excellent chance of winning the trophy. The only defeat they have ever suffered in tournament games was a 5-4 victory by a team from the Enclinal Recreation Club recently in a most exciting game. The score stood 51 to 49.

Major baseball continues to grow in favor each time a game is played. As now made up, the club team is practically invincible. When it defeated the Olympic team last week the San Francisco team claimed it was due to unjust decisions by the umpire. The club boys feel hurt that such a report should have become current, as they feel they were fully able to have beaten the city team under almost any conditions as long as Rosenheim was on the box. The delivery was so fast the Olympians were at his mercy throughout the game.

At present there is a tie in the tournament. Each team won a game. The Y. M. C. A. team has beaten the Enclinal team twice, the Reliance team has won two victories over the Olympics and the Olympics have likewise won twice from the Y. M. C. A.

The Y. M. C. A. and Reliance teams will play Friday night. The club boys feel hurt that such a report should have become current, as they feel they were fully able to have beaten the city team under almost any conditions as long as Rosenheim was on the box. The delivery was so fast the Olympians were at his mercy throughout the game.

The first club run of the cycling annex will take place Sunday. The destination will be Laundry Farm, where a goodly supply of the delectable life will be awaiting the hungry brigade. The following notice has been sent to each member:

Bliff—Bang! We're off! The Reliance Wheelmen will give the opening run of the season of 99 on St. Jay, March 19th, and request the pleasure of your company and also your friends.

Easy pace; short run. First or has been division under First Lieutenant Prescott to leave club rooms at 10 A. M. Second or "Scorchers" division to leave at 10:30.

Everybody turn out and let's have a good "oldtime run." A. P. Deacon, Captain; Jack Flynn, First Lieutenant; A. F. Cornwall, Secretary; Al Parratt, Second Lieutenant.

Interest in the Gun Club has been on the increase and Captain Seaver announces a shoot for an early date.

#### Y. M. C. A.

The fourth game of basket ball in the league now being played between Oakland and San Francisco teams will take place in the gymnasium of the Oakland association next Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. The teams participating will be the Rushers of San Francisco and the Athens of Oakland. These

two teams are the strongest in the league and the game will consequently be a lively one.

The new shuffle board is quite an attraction, being in almost constant use by members. It is a most popular game with those not partial to violent exercises.

Indoor baseball is played considerably by the junior members. Mr. Myers, physical director, allows the boys this privilege on Saturday mornings. A member's reception will take place on Friday, March 31st, when the program will be provided by the association Glee Club, of which Putnam Griswold is director.

New members are joining the association each month. Last month ten were received. In January sixteen new members were received.

The outdoor work in athletic lines will receive considerable attention this season and many young men will take part in the games and sports.

#### Acme Affairs.

Everyone has been taking it easy since the minstrel show and consequently it is quiet in the athletic line at present. The show was such an unqualified success that all feel amply repaid for the hard work involved in its production.

The next thing to receive the attention of the directors will be an amateur boxing tournament. Since the club signified its intention to cut loose from professionalism, it has been a decided increase in membership, which indicates a preference for the amateur contests.

The reported matching of A. T. Smith and Phil Rosenheim of the Reliance for an unlimited purse race has caused a ripple of excitement among the cycling enthusiasts. The club members have a great deal of confidence in Smith and they believe he will return a winner.

#### West Oakland Club.

Editor Tribune—Dear Sir: The members of the West Oakland Athletic Club would like you to put the following place in the sporting column of your valuable paper.

Last Saturday night thirty-five members of the West Oakland Athletic Club went to Sheep's Island for an excursion. There were six boats at the disposal of the Club. Commodore Al was in charge of the club's sloop Yankes. When the boats arrived at the Island the boys dug clams and had a fine clam bake. F. Hufschmidt and P. Allen acted as cooks. A. Clough and A. Fick were the only two to get seasick. The boats left the island at 3:30 P. M. Sunday for a race home.

They came in the following order: first, Dema; second, Yankes; third, Katie M.; fourth, Trilby; fifth, Katie; sixth, Ida.

The Trilby broke her rudder when about half way in, otherwise she might have won the race. Hoping that you will oblige the members. Yours truly C. Symmes, P. Simpson, W. Halloran, Directors West Oakland Athletic Club.

#### Golf Notes.

A putting and approaching contest for ladies and gentlemen players is scheduled to take place Saturday on the golf links at Adams' point. The wet weather, however, may necessitate the postponement of the game. The one who makes the best record and exhibits the greatest skill will be awarded a silver medal. A large entry list is expected.

Last Saturday sixteen gentlemen players disputed honors on the links. The prize contested for was a handsome silver cup. The contest was not finished when time was called, although the original number of players had dwindled down to three. The players in the lead now are W. P. Johnson, Richard Cook and Edwin Goodall. As soon as the weather permits these players will decide which one of them is to carry off the prized trophy.

## SYNDICATE TO REORGANIZE RAILROADS.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire. WASHINGTON, Mar. 15.—The Times says: Kuhn, Loeb & Co. admit that a syndicate, of which this banking firm will be the head, is forming to underwrite a plan by which the Texas and Pacific and St. Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern Railways will have their interests more closely united while a complete merger will not be effected.

Under the plan the Texas and Pacific income bonds will be converted on a basis which will bring the valuation to the present market price, 55%. The stock of this road is about 24%. Its disposition has not been arranged, but it is asserted that there is no plan of exchange at two for one for Missouri Pacific, which is about 46%. There is \$35,700,000 of Texas and Pacific stock, and \$23,865,587 of its 1238 issues of second mortgage income gold 5 per cent bonds maturing in 1909.

It is said that a plan for closer relations between Iron Mountain and Texas and Pacific which provided for the exchange of 62 1/2 per cent of the holdings of Texas and Pacific seconds in 4 per cent Iron Mountain bonds does not meet with the approval of the Philadelphia holders of the Texas and Pacific bonds, who claim that they should have the new four to the extent of from 75 to 80 per cent of their holdings. The plan was, however, an entirely unofficial proposition.

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## WARNING FROM THE KLONDIKE.

How Bogus Claims Are  
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the Unwary.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire. WASHINGTON, Mar. 15.—United States Consul McCook writes from Dawson City:

"Investors should be careful of mining properties offered for sale, particularly in some sections of Alaska. Of the many who came here last spring and summer, hundreds drifted down the Yukon and located at Forty Mile, Eagle City and Star City. I am informed there are many schemers there who get up miners' meetings, elect their own recorder, jump claims already recorded, get their men to give them receipts as record papers, and issue prospectuses of water rights, all apparently in conformity with United States mining regulations. They have organized companies, their scheme being to sell their so-called rights to the public. No one should buy anything until perfectly satisfied. There will be any number of worthless claims offered by promoters."

## SYNOPSIS OF THE CHINA BLUE BOOK'S CONTENTS

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

LONDON, Mar. 15.—This eagerly anticipated China Blue Book has been issued, but all the main points in dispatches filling 300 pages, covering the period from February, 1898, to 1899, were already known to the public. The Blue Book deals at length with all the territorial, railway and mining concessions to all countries, commencing with the cession of Port Arthur and closing with the opening of Non Ning as a treaty port. Much space is devoted to the question of the foreign concession at Shanghai, the exhibits including the protests of American Ministers and Consuls against the placing of American property under the jurisdiction of France or of any other single power. The readiness of British warships to support the Victory in resisting the French demands is also displayed, and the Blue Book gives the American China Development Company's contract for the Hankow-Canton railway, signed in Washington April 1, 1898.

The whole tenor of the British dispatches shows a desire to meet the views of Germany and the United States in all matters in which they were concerned.

## GREAT BRITAIN'S DELEGATION TO PEACE CONGRESS

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 15.—In consulting Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British Ambassador, as to whether an appointment as one of the British delegates to the Peace Congress will be agreeable to him, the purpose was made known to have the delegates accompanied by army and naval attaches and by a staff commensurate with the importance of the mission. These officials doubtless will stand in the position of experts able to show the extent and cost of the great standing armies and navies of the world. Sir Julian's appointment as one of the delegates is practically settled, although the official notification has not yet been given.

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NEW YORK, Mar. 15.—Ex-Judge Henry Hilton is reported to be critically ill at his home in this city. The nature of his illness is kept a secret by the members of the family. Mr. Hilton's condition was said to be so serious last night that the physicians remained with him for several hours.

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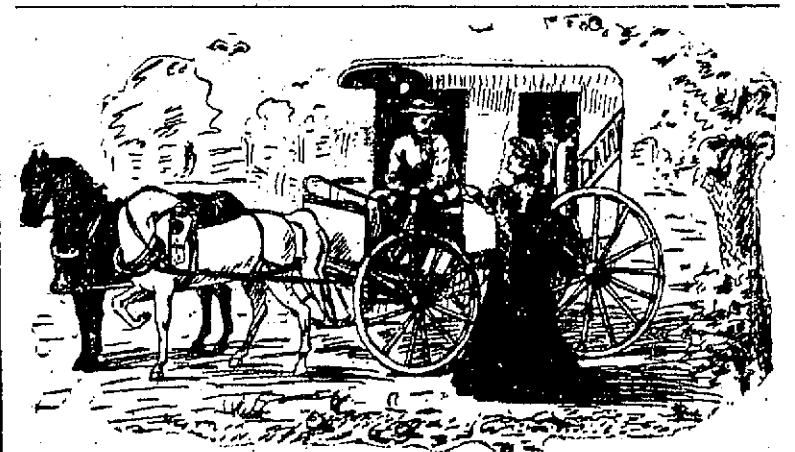
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WEDNESDAY.....MARCH 15, 1899.

Those who prayed for rain can now claim with pride that their appeals brought it.

Now that the local battles have all been lost and won, business will soon drift back into its regular channels again. A spicy election such as we have just had does a community good every now and then, for it shakes up all our municipal affairs and gets the dust out of our eyes.

The Senatorial caucus is hard to get, but as it is the only solution of the existing difficulties, it is bound to come sooner or later, for the Republican members are practically a unit in saying that they will not return home without electing a Senator. Personal politics will not be carried to the extent of sacrificing the party.

The general soaking the State is receiving will do more to create business confidence than aught else that could be accomplished. The steady, drenching rain has come just in time to save millions of dollars' worth of fruit and grain to the farmers of California, to say nothing of the incalculable boon conferred on stockmen.

As Clara Barton failed to put Oakland's society on the list in her publication on Red Cross work, we are going to reciprocate by blacklisting her venture and getting out one of our own. There was certainly no excuse for giving Oakland a snub in such a way, for our Red Cross Society was one of the most energetic and enterprising of any that were in existence. The soldier boys will bear testimony to that fact.

Mayor-elect Snow will undoubtedly prove one of the best executive officers the city has ever had, for his experience as Auditor has made him thoroughly acquainted with our needs and the best way of filling them. For a while many of his friends doubted the advisability of his laying down the Auditorship, and taking his chances at the polls in a Mayoralty fight, though all are bound to admit now that Monday's results form another tribute to his judgment. As Auditor he had fallen into somewhat of a rut, whereas all kinds of political possibilities are now ahead of him.

## CONGRESS GETS A LIBRARIAN

Thanks to the discretion of President McKinley and the timely adjournment of Congress, the Congressional Library has attained a real Librarian. The President has appointed to that unique post a person whom a former United States Senator would have characterized as "one of them literary fellows." He is Herbert Putnam, the son of George H. Putnam, a Boston and a Harvard man, a graduate of the Columbia Law School, and a graduate from the successful administration of two great libraries. By both heredity and special training, therefore, he is an improvement upon the late John Russell Young, who was appointed to that place as a recognition rather of his brilliancy as a diplomat and his unmatched mastery of the English language than as a practical librarian. A practical librarian, however, is pre-eminently the man for this post. With the progress of our nation in general culture and the multiplication of great libraries, the function of librarian has come to be recognized as a distinct profession. The late Dr. William Frederick Poole of the Chicago Public Library has set a standard in this field of special knowledge, skill and effort by which all librarians should be measured, although probably none of them can measure up to it. Mr. Herbert Putnam, we should say, will come very near to it for the reason that before his accession to the office of librarian of the Boston Public Library he gained a national name as the constructor and upholder of the Minneapolis Public Library, whose librarian he was for a number of years.

## GENEROSITY OF NAVAL HEROES.

One of the choicest assets of the American nation today is the tone of its navy. That service is animated throughout its ranks by a high and lofty spirit that shines no more brightly in war than in time of peace. This branch of the national defense, has been studied with illustrious manifestations since the ending of the war with the opportunities for brilliant deeds.

The first in distinction, and perhaps in merit, if not in point of time, was Admiral Dewey's declaration, made in simple modesty in a letter to an old friend and comrade in Washington, and later through the ordinary channels of the press, that he could under no circumstances become a candidate for the Presidency. This utterance, with the frame of mind which it revealed, was of a piece with that gallant officer's several and not enough noted achievements as an unaccustomed diplomat in virtual charge of our delicate and trying international relations in the Asiatic seas.

In line with this noble spirit of loyalty to an ideal standard, unknown to the perceptions and consciences of the average man and politician, were the positions lately taken by Francis J. Higginson and Lieutenant Aaron Ward, respectively Rear Admiral and Lieutenant of the United States Navy. Both of these brave sailors formally declined promotions accorded them for their services in the war, on the ground that these would do injustice to fellow officers as worthy as they of advancement. Of these instances Secretary of the Navy Long officially says: "Two things in my opinion have recently occurred so creditable to the naval service that they deserve to be made public."

In this list of events, illustrating the lofty moral standards of our navy, should have been mentioned the refusal of Naval Constructor Hobson, the hero of the sinking of the Merrimac in the channel of Santiago to accept a fee of fifty thousand dollars for the delivery of some lectures, on the ground that this inordinate valuation had been acquired in the ordinary line of his duty to his country.

This incomplete list may be closed for the purposes of this commentary with a reference to the letter just addressed to President McKinley by Rear Admiral Sampson, begging the advancement of other officers than himself, according to other undisputed deserts in the late war, and the withdrawal of his name for the reason that the dispute which has arisen over it might prejudice the rendering of justice to the rest.

It is impossible for any American to recall such instances without proudly feeling that our navy is as glorious in peace as it is invincible in war.

## PROSPERING RAINS.

Again have abundant and widespread rains visited and refreshed this State. Not only are they spread over a large area of territory, but they are extended over such a period of time as to bring the promise of the greatest possible good. A peculiarity of California rains is the fact that their value often depends less upon their amount than upon the conditions of the weather attending and immediately following them. At the present time all the conditions are favorable to the slow absorption of the welcome moisture by the oncoming crops, and its greatest conservation for the remainder of the season. Thus it is assured that there is to be no disappointment to detract from the benefits anticipated from this bounty so opportunely received from nature's hands.

This situation was the one thing needful to fill the measure of California's prosperity. Even without this last rain the agriculturists of the State had made up their minds and plans to fare through the season without any general disaster. With them, therefore, they derive an access of good fortune beyond their recent calculations. This added measure of their prosperity comes at a time in the affairs of the State when it must register the utmost upon the sum of the general welfare.

Never before in its history was the State of California and this whole coast on the threshold of so vast an expanding career. Independent of all local and transitory conditions, in immense and continuing area of prosperity was assured to this region. With the local conditions now happily attuned to these general and international ones, every class of California's citizens may joyfully enter a period of immeasurable and prolonged prosperity.

The action of Governor Gage in appointing the Hon. Stephen M. White a University Regent to fill the unexpected term of Mrs. Phoebe Hearst is one that meets the approval of Californians generally. Heretofore the Regents have all been chosen from this end of the State, and Governor Gage has shown good judgment in recognizing the claims of Southern California to a voice in the management of the University in which that section is so vitally interested. The choice could not have fallen upon a better man than Senator White.

Sacramento must be a singularly hospitable place, judging by the manner in which the members of the Legislature seem disinclined to leave

it. Although they have been there eleven days without pay, most of them seem in no hurry to go home, for the adjournment resolution is still hanging fire and few complaints are made thereat. The State should be proud of such faithful servants.

Spain must be watching with envy the result of our campaign in the Philippines, for if she had been able to do likewise there and in Cuba the brood of troubles she has just had would never have been hatched. In the days when the Donos were fighting there, they were defeated about as often as they scored victories, whereas not a single reverse of any description has as yet attended the American arms. The trouble with Spain was that she could neither run nor fight, whereas we can do both.

California and Pennsylvania are the only States left in which the Senatorial elections are undecided. The eyes of the country are upon us and the representatives of the Republicans at Sacramento cannot afford to prove traitors to their party.

## NOVEL SCHOOL FOR TRAINMEN.

The Murphy Method in Operation in Kentu. ky.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire. LEXINGTON, Ky., Mar. 15.—A new idea has been put into operation here by the Cincinnati Southern Railway for instructing and examining trainmen on the meaning of train rules as applied to the various pieces of apparatus which form so important a part in the successful operation of modern railroads. It is called "the Murphy method," taking its name from its originator, W. J. Murphy, of this city, superintendent of the Cincinnati Southern railway.

Mr. Murphy has equipped the examining room at Lexington with an electric stereopticon and a large number of lantern slides showing the signals, track and apparatus of all kinds used on the road. By projecting these views on larger canvas, the trainmen are enabled to see the road equipment as it would appear to them in the daily routine of work. It has worked so successfully in examining the men on the Cincinnati Southern that it is likely to be adopted by every railway in the country.

W. J. Murphy, the originator, has been in the railroad business all of his life, and was for a number of years general superintendent of the Erie road at Jersey City.

Women's Council in London. Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire. ROCHESTER, N. Y., Mar. 15.—Miss Susan B. Anthony will attend the convention of the International Council of Women, to be held in Westminster Hall, London, about the middle of June.

This will be one of the most important gatherings of women the world has ever seen. Miss Anthony will be accompanied by Mrs. Mary W. Hewell, Mrs. Mary Lowe Dickinson, Mrs. Nannie Gaffney, Rev. Anna Shaw, Miss Lucie Anthony and James Slocum.

Luther A. Ritchie of Berkeley, where he has been visiting for six months.

## "Welcome, Evil, If Thou Comest Alone."

One evil that cannot come alone is impure blood. If this is allowed, it is attended by kindred ailments galore. This condition means that every vein and artery of the body, instead of carrying to the organs a health-giving flow of life, is laden with a slow and impure fluid that is harming instead of healing.

It is unfortunate when there is "bad blood" between people. It is worse when it is inside of you. Hood's Sarsaparilla will not make enemies friends, but it will make "bad blood" good blood, and blood should be of the best quality. Hood's never disappoints.

**Blood Poisoning.** "When I enlisted in Montana for the Cuban war I began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla and got several comrades to do so. It seemed to make us proof against heat and fatigue at Key West. The doctor there gave me also Hood's Sarsaparilla. I was wounded at San Juan with a brass jacket bullet, but got no treatment until I arrived at Fort McPherson, Ga. The surgeon said if I had not been for my good rich blood that the brass shell would have poisoned me sure and I would have lost my arm." George F. Cooper, Co. G, 25th U. S. Inf., Washington Barracks, D. C.

**Cutaneous Eruptions.** "For months I was afflicted with eruptions of various kinds. I tried Hood's Sarsaparilla. Twelve bottles entirely cured me." Cyrus G. Upham, Needham, Mass.

**Salt Rheum.** "My mother was seriously afflicted with salt rheum and painful running sores. No medicine helped her until Hood's Sarsaparilla was used, which made her entirely well." Esau E. Maplestone, 368 Dearborn Street, Chicago, Ill.

**Hood's Sarsaparilla**  
Never Disappoints

Hood's Pills cure liver ills, the non-irritating and only cathartic to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

## OAKLAND BOY'S MANILA LETTER.

Interesting Sketches of Aguinaldo and Dewey.

M. S. Armstrong, an Oakland boy, formerly employed in the Hall of Records, and who is well known in this city, went to Manila last July as a Quartermaster's clerk under Colonel J. W. Pope, Chief Quartermaster, department of the Pacific at Manila. A friend in Oakland has just received a letter from Mr. Armstrong, from which the Tribune is permitted to make some interesting excerpts:

"AYUNTAMIENTO, Manila, P. I., Feb. 1, 1899.—The all the old-time wall flowers and octogenarian bookworms of the Recorder's office, Alameda county, Cal.: Dear Friends—It occurred to me some time ago that I was sadly neglecting my old comrades and co-laborers at home, but not once since my arrival at the Philippines, on the 31st of July, 1898, have I been spared hardly a moment to myself. I haven't even been allowed time to get sick. For three months subsequently to the capitulation of Manila, on August 13, I worked seven days in the week and far into the nights. This owing to a scarcity of clerks.

"I will be glad to return to God's country, where at least one may enjoy the juice of a nice, thick porterhouse and a hot cup of Mocha or Java, a la Francaise or a la anything but Spanish.

"The Philippines, with all its panoramic scenery (on paper) and its accredited commercial and mineralogical advantages, has one serious drawback, which bids fair to cause greater mortality among our men than the bullets of our foes, the Filipinos, and that is its dangerous climate and pestilential sanitary, or rather insanitary, condition. It is the atmosphere of the place, which is putting it mildly. It is simply death-dealing. It is the great escape on earth to those who have escaped sickness so far that they have not been stricken down. I am so far among the fortunate few who are still there is a strong probability that I may yet succumb to disease.

"But with all the hardships I suffer, like in the campaign against Manila, I would not have missed the experience for a letter of credit in my favor on the Oakland Bank of Savings for \$10,000 in gold. You may think that rather a high estimate to place on the sight to be seen at the front in time of war, but you would find a different opinion if you were to witness an engagement between two great armies and see a grand navy in action. The sight is great. It is indescribable. I have acquired more real, practical and valuable knowledge through the experience of the last few months than all the books would give me in a lifetime.

"I have had the honor of an introduction to the one great hero of the war with Spain, General Emilio Aguinaldo, who has also been with and shaken the right hand of General Emilio Aguinaldo, commanding the insurgent forces in the Philippines. This occurred at a festa given in honor of the General last October in the town of Pampanga, situated about forty miles from Manila, in the interior of Luzon. "Things have changed considerably since then, however, and it is doubtful now whether I would be accorded such a welcome. A Filipino flag of purple silk was presented to me by Aguinaldo's daughter—who, by the way, is not bad looking—and I and three American officers (the only Americans in town that day) were indeed treated royally. I shall never forget this friendly call on the head of the Philippine government—such as it is—since has proven such a traitor to our cause and our flag.

Aguinaldo's features are decidedly of the Mongolian type. In fact he is said to be one-quarter Chinese. He is very timid and nervous, and never remains quietly seated or standing in one place for more than a minute, except while eating. This because of the price of \$20,000 put on his head by the Spaniards just prior to our advent in Manila. They did not seem to value his scalp so highly then.

"But the Admiral is the star that outshines them all. Tall, straight as an arrow, pleasant-faced and the opinion of all here, the greatest hero and diplomat of the war, both on land and sea. I am to get his autograph and perhaps his photo as a souvenir."

"M. S. ARMSTRONG."

## RUNNER CONNEFF A BRAVE SOLDIER.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire. NEW YORK, Mar. 15.—On board the transport Sheridan, bound for the Philippines, is Thomas P. Conneff, formerly the middle distance champion runner of the world. He has carried the emblems of both the New York and the United States to victory in international and home championship contests on the cinder track. Conneff was one of the first men up San Juan hill, and he served with distinction in the Santiago campaign, earning his Corporal's chevrons. Conneff is a member of the Sixteenth Infantry.

## HIS FATHER DIED IN THE NORTH.

The many friends of A. M. Preston, who is connected with the firm of Goldberger, Bowen & Co. of this city, regret to learn that he has been called to his home in Scotchomish, Washington State, to attend the funeral of his father, who died very suddenly yesterday afternoon.

## HONORS FOR AN OAKLAND GIRL.

Miss May McLean, who graduated from the University of California, is doing graduate work at Yale University. Miss McLean is the first woman from the State University to be enrolled at Yale.

Another Advance in Wages. Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire. PITTSBURGH, Mar. 15.—The Pennsylvania Tube Company, employing several thousand men, has advanced the wages of all employees 10 per cent.

## ASSEMBLY IS A FALSE ALARM.

Take No Stock in the Malcontents.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

NEW YORK, March 15.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Havana says: Tuesday marked a temporary lull in the opera bouffe tempest raised in Cuban politics by the rupture of the relations between the so-called Military Assembly and the personal adherents and supporters of the Ex-General-in-Chief of the army, Maximiliano Gomez. With Gomez himself elected from office his chief assistant is conducting negotiations with the Government at Washington, Gage de Quesada, has been shown of that fragment of diplomatic unpopularity, shadowy as it was, with which the favor of the Assembly had formerly clothed him. Of Gomez's few active defenders within its members, General Tamayo, General Nunez and Senor Cespedes have been forced to vacate their seats by resignation.

Little seemed left to do to complete the cleavage between the two factions of the revolutionary party, and the Assembly's leaders devoted their energies, consequently, for the most part to preparing and approving a manifesto to the army and to the people, explaining the causes which led to General Gomez's dismissal and defining the policy now openly announced, of refusing to accept the \$3,000,000 appearance of pay offered by the United States as a preliminary step to disbandment.

The dissolution of the army is what General Banguily and the other leaders of the anti-Gomez faction most violently oppose, for with the dispersion of the troops the political influence of the Assembly would straightaway vanish. To hold the army intact by seeming to stand out for a more liberal allotment of back pay, is the undisputed purpose of these military politicians, and to prevent either the return of the rank and file to peaceful occupations or their disposition into a native auxiliary army officered by Americans.

The anti-Gomez cabal is ready to break in appearance at last, with the government at Washington and to sacrifice compensation, considerable for the man if not for the officers, fixed by the agreement between General Gomez and the Administration. Were the Assembly a real political power its present attitude toward the United States would call for an immediate definition of its functions and limitations as a factor in the pacification of the island but, as everyone here realizes, the Assembly leaders are for the most part mere poseurs, having neither achievements nor records behind them and lacking absolute confidence and loyalty of the classes which sympathized with and supported the insurrection. Should they carry their program of disbandment and overt hostility much farther, the public opinion will gladly acquiesce in any measure which shall reduce their share in the establishment of a new and stable government to the minimum point.

Arrangements have been made for a conference between General Brooke and General Gomez, at which an effort will be made to fix the Cuban leader's status for the purposes of further negotiations looking to the disbandment of the army. If General Gomez insists on vacating his commission his power to bind the troops to any agreement will probably be held to have lapsed. In the event, it is understood, General Brooke will deal with the heads of the military departments created under Gomez, declining absolutely to recognize the authority or responsibility of the Military Assembly.

## Personal and Social.

Mrs. Garrison was in Haywards last week in the interests of Ivy Lodge, Degrees of Honor.

Mrs. E. B. Russell has returned to Sacramento, after a visit of ten days to friends in this city, Berkeley and San Francisco.

Allen Caven was recently in Concord.

Mrs. J. J. Byrne is visiting relatives in Kern county.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur G. Parsons are now residing in Glendale, Montana.

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## A General Invitation...

(NO CARDS)

is extended to all to visit our display of all that is pretty, fashionable and chic at our Millinery opening.

Thursday-Friday-Saturday OF THIS WEEK.

You'll not be asked to buy, simply to feast your eyes on the most stylish creations of the Milliners Art.

## KAHN BROS.

N. E. 12th and Washington Sts.

## COLMAN'S BARGAIN FURNITURE STORE

474 and 476 Eighth St., Bet. Washington and Broadway

Highest Prices for Good Second-Hand Furniture, Carpets and Stoves. OAKLAND, CAL.

Jose, formerly of this city, leaves Friday for Honolulu.

Mrs. Charles Spencer of Sacramento is spending a month visiting friends in this city.

Miss Jennette Birdsall of Berkeley recently visited her home in Sacramento.

Miss Helen How of Sacramento is the guest of friends in this city.

Dr. Truman W. Brophy, dean of the Chicago College of Dental Surgery, was the guest of Dr. H. P. Carlton Sunday.

Dr. W. S. Porter has returned from a two weeks' vacation at Pacific Grove.

Miss M. C. Ellis was recently in Hanford.

Prof. Charles M. Gayley of the U. C. delivered a lecture before the Tuesday Literary Club of Sacramento last evening. His subject was his life at the University of Oxford and reminiscences of his trip abroad.

Miss Maud Faxon of Berkeley is visiting relatives in Stockton.

M. M. Smith of Berkeley leaves Saturday for Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. John Striker of Berkeley have returned from a trip through the southern part of the State.

Mrs. Josie Bell and her sister, Mrs. John Johnson, of Alameda have returned from Los Gatos, where the former has been ill for some time.

Mrs. Toler is the guest of Mrs. A. A. Spence of Santa Clara.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Allen of Berkeley were recently visiting in San Jose.

Charles Plombeau was recently in Santa Clara visiting relatives.

Mrs. May Wilkins took a trip recently to Napa.

G. H. Lillencrantz is registered at the Grand, San Francisco.

Mrs. W. M. Astell and her little daughter Gladys of East Fourteenth street, Fruitvale are visiting in Stockton for the next two weeks.

Ernest, Twelfth and Clay streets. Millinery opening Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, March 14th, 15th and 16th. Pattern hats.

## STEARNS BICYCLE.

Agency is now located at 422 Twelfth street, Broadway, '99 models on exhibition. Sturatt Bros.

4c Upwards.

Water glasses at H. Schellhaas' store 408 Eleventh st.

## Strictly First Class.

There is one strictly first class express service in Oakland—that of the People's Express Company. The company checks baggage at your house to any point on the Southern Pacific system free of charge. Telephone—main 233. Office, northeast corner Broadway and Ninth street.

## "My Cake Is Dough."

Did not use Sperry's Flour.

## Allen's Press Clipping Bureau.

510 Montgomery street, S. F. Established 1888. Furnishes newspaper clippings and information on all topics, business and personal.

## Maison Piedmont Bakery.

Is noted for its fine pastry and bread. Eighth and Washington streets.

## Liquors For Families.

Furnished and delivered free. Purity and quality guaranteed. Landrean Bros., 31 Broadway. Telephone main 570.

## Tables and Chairs to Let

For card parties, at H. Schellhaas, Eleventh st.

## Dr. J. C. S. Akery.

Has removed his residence to 929 Adeline. Telephone 861 red. Office, 14 San Pablo.

## White Bicycles.

New '99 wheels, general repairing. E. L. Sargeant, 1037 Washington st. Tel blue 772.

## 40c Each.

New wool seat chairs at H. Schellhaas' old store, 408 Eleventh st.

## "The Creamerie"

Is a modern first-class restaurant and lunch parlor for business men and families. 408 Ninth street. R. J. Barber, proprietor.

## AMUSEMENTS.

## MACDONOUGH THEATER

TOEDAY and WEDNESDAY, March 14 and 15. When Harrold's Remarkable Drama

## The Sign of the Cross

Presented by Wm. Grella London Company including CHARLES DALTON, from the Lyric Theatre.

Prices \$1.00, 75c, 50c, 25c. Seats now on sale

## MACDONOUGH THEATER

Thursday, Friday, Saturday Matinee Saturday Evening.

MARCH 16-17-18

## THE BOSTONIANS

Thursday.....BERENADE

Friday.....ROBIN HOOD

Saturday.....ROBIN HOOD

Sunday.....BERENADE

Prices \$1.00, \$1.75 and 50c seats. Seats now on sale

## DEWEY OPERA HOUSE

TONIGHT and all this week,



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# CHANGES IN THE CITY GOVERNMENT

Candidates are Now Working Hard for the Deputyships Miller, Fletcher and Ball May Be Retained in Office.

The newly elected officers of this city who won in the election on Monday last will assume the duties of their offices on the first Monday in April, and on that day there will be more or less changes made in the several departments of the city government as a consequence of the changes which the election has made in the heads of some of those departments.

Mayor Thomas will retire in favor of R. W. Snow, who will then become, ex-officio, a member of the Fire and Police Commissioners and of the Board of Public Works. Messrs. Dow and Clement will retain their positions on these two boards. The three members have, therefore, a number of positions in their gift, among which are the office of secretary of the boards mentioned and positions on the police and fire departments from chief to that of special officer. It is not expected that there will be many changes made in these sections, certainly not as many as would have been made had Mr. Miller been elected City Engineer, which would make him ex-officio a member of the two boards under consideration. It was generally believed that if Miller had been elected he would have joined Mr. Dow in undoing a great many things which have been done by the present boards under the combine between Messrs. Clement and Thomas, and against the protests of Mr. Dow, who has for a long time been in the minority. The defeat of Mr. Miller has destroyed the possibility of a majority on either board of the kind specified, because it is not likely that Dow will combine with Clement, nor is it at all probable that Clement will combine with Dow to undo what he had previously done through the assistance on the boards of Mayor Thomas. There is no prospect whatever of a combine between Mr. Snow and either Dow or Clement. It is known that Snow will vote on all questions before the boards on their merits and that appointments will be acted upon in the same manner and that no removals will be made save for cause. The board of fire gives evidence of consisting of three units on the question of patronage and it will be interesting to note how and when one or the other of the members will be induced to vote in favor of another. For these reasons there is little reason to fear that the numerous changes in the police and fire departments which had been anticipated will take place. Chief Ball will likely remain at the head of the fire department and Chief Fletcher at the head of the police, although under other circumstances, successors to both would have in all probability been named.

As soon as the new boards are formed Harry Thomas, who is now secretary of both, will retire and the selecting of a successor to him will be the first proposition which will come before the members. There are a dozen applicants for the position. Among them is D. C. Hindsdale, who for years has been the Chief Deputy Auditor under Mr. Snow. There are a dozen candidates for the secretaryship.

In the treasurer's office there will be no changes in the principal positions now held by Messrs. Cole and Miller, though in some of the subsidiary clerkships Treasurer Gilpin will likely place some friends who have rendered him signal service during his latest campaign.

In the City Attorney's office Mr. Dow will retain his present assistant, Mr. Condon.

Chief Fletcher has the appointment of a member of the police force to act as his clerk, but there is no doubt that he will appoint the present incumbent, Lou Agnew, who is thoroughly qualified for and acquainted with the position.

Henry Malson will not be disturbed in his position as License Inspector. He is a member of the Municipal League and it is believed that the interest he has taken in the performance of his duties has commended him favorably to the attention of Mayor-elect Snow.

The Mayor has the power to designate which of the two local justices shall act as police judge, either Smith or Stetson. It is not likely that he will make a change by substituting Judge Stetson for the present incumbent.

The Board of Education, which is soon to be reorganized, will have nothing to do with the position of Superintendent of Schools at this time. Mr. McClymonds having two years of his term to serve. Mr. McClymonds's assistant, Mr. York, and Miss Smith, the stenographer and substitute teacher in the office of the board, will both retain their positions.

As soon as Auditor-elect Bred takes charge of his office Deputy Auditor Hindsdale will retire, but it cannot yet be determined who will be his successor. There are three clerks in the office, and for one of these Robert Jackson's name has been mentioned.

In the office of Street Superintendent it is most likely that the present status will continue. Having been defeated for the position of City Engineer, Mr. Miller will retain his old office of Superintendent of Streets, and with him will be as chief clerk R. B. Ayer, assistant clerk Miss Alexander and assistant superintendent, Charles Ott.

The new Council will have the choosing of a new City Clerk, and for this position there are several applicants. J. W. Tompkins wants to be re-elected to the place. The appointment of a City Engineer is within the province of the Mayor. E. H. Morgan is the present incumbent. He has been very close to Mr. Snow, having established his headquarters during the past two years in Mr. Snow's office. R. Jackson is also a candidate. He also is close to Mr. Snow, having done some good election work for him during the late campaign. It is likely that Mr. Jackson will secure the position.

Henry Peterson will remain in the position of librarian of the Public Library, because he has found favor with most of the members of the new Board.

For the position of City Wharfinger and Janitor of the City Hall, there is a crowd of applicants. For the former the dock working hard to be retained in the position, and for the latter John Wilds is taking steps to make himself solid with the members of the Council.

## CUBAN ASSEMBLY TO BE DISSOLVED

Gen. Brooke Authorized to Take Heroic Measures.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire. CINCINNATI, Mar. 15.—A special to the Times-Herald from Washington says: Discretionary authority has been given to Major General Brooke, Governor General of Cuba, to dissolve the Cuban Assembly.

From the tone of General Brooke's dispatches, officials expect that he will immediately avail himself of the authority invested in him. Such action will be the first interference of the Government of the United States with persons styling themselves the representatives of the Cuban people, and if it occurs it will be entirely due to the illegal and unjustifiable acts of those persons.

Furthermore, General Brooke will recognize General Gomez as the representative of the Cuban people until such time as the National Assembly of Cuba shall be organized. He will be consulted on all points relative to the welfare of Cuba, and at this juncture a committee to show him the deference due his position as the recognized leader of the Cubans.

## WORK FOR REMOVAL OF THE HOME.

The Odd Fellow lodges of this city are making a concerted move to secure the removal of the Home of the Order, which is now located at Thermalito, to this city. Harbor Lodge, No. 253, I. O. O. F., will hold a special meeting tonight, and at this gathering a committee to work for the removal of the Home will be appointed.

The Mariposa Sails. Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire. SYDNEY, N. S. W., Mar. 15.—The American steamer Mariposa, Captain Hayward, has sailed from here for San Francisco, having on board \$100,000 in gold.

## BUFFALO LITHIA WATER

Nature's nerve tonic, antispasmodic and restorative. For sale by Grocers and Druggists generally. Proprietor, Buffalo Lithia Springs, Va.

## DWIGHT L. MOODY HAS ARRIVED.

The Great Revivalist Will Hold Five Meetings.

Dwight L. Moody, the world-famed evangelist, who has been before the people for a generation, arrived in this city today and will hold several meetings in the interest of religion, morality and good citizenship here before his departure.

The distinguished reformer was met at Santa Rosa last night by Secretary Jacks of the Young Men's Christian Association of this city who also attended his revival meeting which was held at the Opera House at that place.

The theater, Mr. Jacks says, was filled to the door by an audience which hung with the greatest interest upon everything the speaker said. The effect was most pronounced. The session lasted two hours and during that time everybody was captivated by the fact and intelligence which Mr. Moody displayed in his efforts in behalf of morality and Christianity.

Mr. Moody is now registered at the Hotel Metropole.

This afternoon he spoke to a large audience in the theater in Alameda, and he will deliver another address at the same place this evening.

Tomorrow afternoon and Friday afternoon at 2:30 he will speak in the First M. E. Church in this city.

Tomorrow and Friday nights he will deliver addresses in the First Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Moody will also hold services here Sunday next, but the only arrangements thus far announced are for Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the First Presbyterian Church.

This service will be under the auspices of the Young Men's Christian Association. It will be held for men only and admission will be granted only on the presentation of a ticket, which may be obtained from pastors and at the Young Men's Christian Association building.

The number of tickets will be limited to the seating capacity of the church. No exception will be made to the rule of admission. Those who attempt to get into the church without having first secured a ticket will be prevented from so doing by the door-keepers.

Wants Balance Due. John D. French has brought suit against Charles Henderson to recover \$503 alleged to be due on a judgment against the defendant.

# THEY ARE IN NEED OF MONEY

James P. Taylor Makes an Appeal to the People.

Editor Tribune.—Sir: I desire to say a few words to the people of Oakland and Alameda county with special reference to the endless chain letter "How being circulated on behalf of the Associated Charities.

First, let me say that the directors of this association have relieved a great deal of distress and want during the past winter by means of the work furnished at the wood yard, laundry and day's employment.

For some months they thus frequently helped from thirty to forty each day by supplying them with meals and beds in return for work performed and so aided them to preserve their self-respect.

To do this meant a large increase in our expenses but we prevented these parties going from house to house begging for food and money and for that reason alone we received (especially the ladies) of Oakland, Alameda and Berkeley is under an obligation to the Associated Charities and should be grateful and glad of the opportunity to make some return for this benefit.

They have given of their time, their money and their energy; surely they have a right to expect help from the public whom they have relieved from the importunities of beggary, poor but deserving men and women.

Is it too much to ask that those who have been benefited (and who has not) each and all lend a willing hand and assist by making the copies of the letter sent them and have something to their friends. The 10-cent contribution asked for from each is small but if promptly forwarded and the chain kept going we hope to get enough to pay all we owe and have something left to aid us in assisting the unfortunate and needy.

JAMES P. TAYLOR, President of Associated Charities. Oakland, March 15th, 1899.

## COUNTY CLERK JORDAN ON REGISTRATION.

County Clerk Frank C. Jordan is anticipating a veto of the County Government Bill. He has filed a statement with the Governor in favor of the bill. His points are as follows:

"That this assistance asked for is not in the nature of additional compensation."

"That it was never intended by the Legislature that the Clerk should be charged with the expense of this work."

"That prior to 1895, the county had borne the expense of registration."

"That no provision of law exists by which the expense of such registration is provided for."

"That thirty thousand voters will have to be registered in Alameda county next year before the Presidential election."

"That the act now before you for approval, general in its application, meets as well other needs of the State in the same position as the undersigned."

"That the act expressly exempts from its benefit such clerks as are now receiving assistance under the provision of the County Government Act."

"That additional duties have been imposed through the passage of the so-called 'Stratton Primary Law.'"

"That no provision of law is not benefited financially or otherwise by the passage of this act."

"That as far as the undersigned is concerned, he is not able to longer bear this burden unjustly placed upon him four years ago through an accident of legislation."

"That such legislation is necessary, is just and is approved of and desired by the citizens and taxpayers of the county of Alameda regardless of political affiliations."

The following resolutions have been passed by the Oakland Board of Trade: Whereas, the appropriations made in former years for the support of the Home for the Adult Blind amounted to \$25,000 per year, when the number of inmates at said institution did not exceed eighty, and

Whereas, the appropriation for the last two years for the support of said institution amounted only to the sum of \$22,500 per year, when the number of inmates averaged one hundred and seven, and was insufficient to supply all the needs of said institution, and

Whereas, by reason of the high price of materials and excessive competition in the broom trade, it is impossible to operate the broom factory at said institution, and thereby furnish employment to the inmates, under the present condition without an appropriation from the State therefor, and

Whereas, it is desirable and for the best interests of said Home that the inmates thereof be furnished with employment, and

Whereas, a deficit of about \$6,000 exists in the fund of said institution devoted to manufacturing purposes, which said deficit has arisen by reason of the efforts to keep the institution in operation under the unfavorable conditions above mentioned, and

Resolved, That we hereby request of the Legislature that the usual and former appropriation of \$25,000 per year be made for the support of said Home, also that a special appropriation be made for the purpose of enabling the directors of said Home to raise and direct on manufacturing in the shops of said institution.

For a Family Allowance. John E. Shepard has petitioned the Superior Court for a family allowance of \$5 a week from the estate of Catherine Shepard for the support of Violet M. and Kitty E. Shepard.

# GAGE FREE WITH VETOES.

Assembly Dismisses Ficks' Contempt Charges.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire. SACRAMENTO, March 15.—The Senate was in receipt of a communication from the Society of American authors enclosing a preamble and resolution endorsing a plan for a George Washington memorial institute. It was ordered printed in the journal.

Governor Gage returned to the Senate this morning, without his approval, Senate bill 127, to repeal an act authorizing the allowance, settlement and payment of claims of counties against the State, approved March 8, 1893.

He sent a message vetoing Senate bill 165, appropriating \$10,000 to pay the claim of William M. Sullivan.

Assembly bill 238 was taken up in the Assembly and passed. The measure provides for the submission to the people of municipal corporations of the fifth and sixth classes the proposition of the license and sale or the prohibition of the sale of intoxicating liquors.

The rules were suspended to allow Senators Nutt, Maggard and Langford to introduce proposed amendments to the county government act applying to their several counties.

A call of the House was necessary this morning to secure a quorum. Bills were passed making appropriations to the claims of the Argus Publishing Company, Ventura Independent and Alameda Enquirer for publishing the constitutional amendments.

The report of the select committee appointed to inquire into the charges of contempt made against George W. Ficks was taken up and adopted. The charges against Ficks were dismissed and the committee discharged.

Governor Gage returned Assembly bill 22 to the Assembly without his approval. The measure makes it a misdemeanor to sell or trade in "refill" any cask, keg, bottle, etc., having a duly filed trademark.

The Governor has vetoed Assembly bill 351. By this measure it was intended to turn over to the Treasurer all the money received from the Federal government, to be controlled by the managers of the institution.

Beecher asked permission to introduce an act to amend section 1237 of the Penal Code, which relates to the introduction of bills.

The committee reported favorably on the introduction of Assembly bills 1009 and 1010.

The first of these was introduced by Cowan and is intended to amend sections 163, 167, 174, 186, 200 and 204 of the county government act of 1897.

The second was that introduced by Beecher, relating to the introduction of bills.

Mr. Gage introduced a resolution this morning calling upon the Governor to inquire into conditions existing at San Quentin prison, and to report to the next session of the Legislature.

Mr. Gage introduced a resolution to the establishment of a new prison and the gradual removal of San Quentin prison and also to make such recommendations concerning the location of such new prison as he might deem proper.

Senate bill 327 was taken up in the Assembly and passed.

Assembly bill 1105, amending sections 163 and 186 of the county government act of 1897, was passed.

The measure was introduced by Belshaw of Contra Costa. Brooks gave notice that he would move to reconsider the vote by which the measure was passed.

Assembly constitutional amendment 22 and Senate constitutional amendment 14 were adopted by the Assembly this forenoon.

The first of these, Assembly constitutional amendment No. 22, proposed that the Legislature power to regulate the charges of telephone companies.

The second, Senate constitutional amendment No. 14, is relative to amending article XIII of the State constitution.

TO AID THE HOME FOR ADULT BLIND.

The following resolutions have been passed by the Oakland Board of Trade: Whereas, the appropriations made in former years for the support of the Home for the Adult Blind amounted to \$25,000 per year, when the number of inmates at said institution did not exceed eighty, and

Whereas, the appropriation for the last two years for the support of said institution amounted only to the sum of \$22,500 per year, when the number of inmates averaged one hundred and seven, and was insufficient to supply all the needs of said institution, and

Whereas, by reason of the high price of materials and excessive competition in the broom trade, it is impossible to operate the broom factory at said institution, and thereby furnish employment to the inmates, under the present condition without an appropriation from the State therefor, and

Whereas, it is desirable and for the best interests of said Home that the inmates thereof be furnished with employment, and

Whereas, a deficit of about \$6,000 exists in the fund of said institution devoted to manufacturing purposes, which said deficit has arisen by reason of the efforts to keep the institution in operation under the unfavorable conditions above mentioned, and

Resolved, That we hereby request of the Legislature that the usual and former appropriation of \$25,000 per year be made for the support of said Home, also that a special appropriation be made for the purpose of enabling the directors of said Home to raise and direct on manufacturing in the shops of said institution.

# CAUCUS CALL BEING SIGNED.

What Legislators Are Doing at Sacramento in the Line of Lawmaking.

(Special to the Tribune.)

SACRAMENTO, March 15.—The caucus call issued by Colonel Burns is still quietly making the rounds instead of having been withdrawn as some people imagine. Thirty-seven votes were said to be on it when today dawned among them being a number of anti-Burns men, such as Currier, Miller, Dickinson, and Morehouse of the Barness' camp, Cosper who is now voting for Scott, and Merritt of San Francisco who is among the Grant adherents.

Only two members, it is said, have so far flat-footedly refused to go into a caucus of any description, the others being willing to participate under certain conditions.

"The call is very conservative anyhow. It provides that it shall be void and of no account unless it is signed by sixty Republican members and it dwells upon the necessity of a Republican Legislature electing a member of its own party to represent the State at Washington. It is also thoroughly understood that no ballot to be taken shall be secret, thus giving every member an opportunity to go on record."

Colonel Burns is very sanguine, both as regards the outcome of the call and the ultimate result. "I am thoroughly satisfied that everything is coming out all right," he remarked to your correspondent, "for from the reports I have received there are not half a dozen Republicans who are in favor of going home without electing a Senator. As it has been proved, therefore, from day to day that nothing can be accomplished on the open floor of the convention, I am well satisfied that the caucus will be accepted when, in the last few hours, it becomes apparent that there is no other recourse."

According to those who have an inside inkling as regards the Colonel's plans it is his intention if adjournment is decided on for Saturday to make his final move Friday so that if by any chance, anything should go wrong he will have Saturday in which to correct it. If, however, adjournment goes over to Wednesday he will probably let things go until the Tuesday ballot.

The Senate worked until one o'clock this morning on the General Appropriations Bill and as a result it looks now as if adjournment will certainly be taken Saturday. The bill was read through, all the amendments made and sent to the printer. It is expected back this afternoon and those who have studied the situation say that the decks will all be cleared beyond doubt by Saturday.

RACE TRACK PEOPLE.

There is another matter talked of, though that may change all the plans. The Ingleside race track people are going to make a desperate effort to obtain some legislation here that will give them an opportunity to defy the ordinance just passed by the Board of Supervisors of San Francisco and a bill will doubtless make its appearance as a substitute measure in the Senate today.

The proposition is said to be to legalize racing and betting on race tracks for a limit of seventy or seventy-five days a year in each county, and if that could become a law the Pacific Coast Jockey Club could snap its fingers at the ordinance now in the hands of the San Francisco police, for with a State law at its back it need have no fears regarding local legislation.

It will be a hard job, though, to get the desired measure through the Legislature at this time, for being a matter of positive legislation, it will require forty-one votes in the House and twenty-one in the Senate in addition to the approval of the Governor. Then again, there may be a wheel within a wheel. The agreement between the Oakland and Ingleside clubs whereby the latter would give the former a share in this year, and with the Ingleside track closed, the Oakland course could have the season all to itself and thereby make just double its present profits.

The Oakland people are, therefore, said to be averse to any legislation that would limit their opportunities, especially so to taking a hand in what they regard as a desperate effort to obtain some legislation here that will give them an opportunity to defy the ordinance just passed by the Board of Supervisors of San Francisco and a bill will doubtless make its appearance as a substitute measure in the Senate today.

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also, and then if the Oakland people had taken a hand against the Ingleside managers while they were in trouble, war to the knife would follow with disastrous results all around. In view of this condition of affairs, therefore, it looks as if the two tracks will stand in for the passage of the bill if it gets before the Legislature in the right shape.

NATIONAL GUARD.

Quite a lively fight is going on below the surface regarding Dickinson's National Guard reorganization bill that passed the Senate and is now before the Assembly. It provides among other things that officers shall be elected by the members of the regiment instead of appointed and this is the rock upon which a good many are splitting. The present officers want the law to stand as it is so that they can retain their commissions, whereas the ambitious members of the rank and file want the new measure to get on the statute books so that the door will be opened for them to wear shoulder straps.

Assemblyman Knowland has scored quite a victory with his subways and culverts bill. This is the measure that gives Supervisors the right to construct such improvements as well as bridges when over needed, and it was amended in the Senate in such a way as to make it practically inoperative. When it got over to the Assembly again, though, Knowland went down the line and got the House not to concur, whereupon the Senate accepted the measure, and the bill goes to the Governor.

Senator Leavitt's motion to reconsider the vote by which the bill for the purchase of land for Folsom prison was lost resulted in the passage of this measure, which he has passed the Assembly, will become a law if the Governor approves it.

The Assembly has passed the Senate bill creating a Commissioner of Public Works. It has been amended, though, to reduce the salary from \$20,000 to \$15,000.

The precedent established by Alameda county in amending the county government act as it stands now, so as to permit additional deputies, is to be followed generally, for every county being now in evidence. Whether or not the Governor will sign them, though, is doubtful. The Los Angeles delegation will doubtless succeed in getting its amendment through, for it calls for a reduction in the expenses of the county departments instead of an advance, as is the case in other sections.

Governor Gage's appointment of Senator White as Regent of the University effectively knocks out Mayor Phelan's hopes in the contest to elect White and Gage. White and Gage have been firm friends in Los Angeles for many years, and the appointment is a personal one, in addition to being a tribute to the worth of the retiring Senator.

Senator Custer is very ill with an attack of the grip.

G. W. Baker of Oakland is among the late arrivals.

The Assembly has put a ten minute limit on all future speeches so as to curb the many orators who have developed in the House.

D. D. Crowley got in from Oakland last night.

Hervey Darnell of Alameda is taking in the legislative show.

John D. Isaacs of Oakland is at the Golden Eagle.

Mr. Gage is up with an eye on the race track legislation.

W. W. Kaufman, Senator Stratton's law partner, is up for a trip.

Frank Jaynes got in last night. He has got an eye on the telegraph company's franchise in Ingleside.

E. W. Williams, Clerk of the San Francisco Justices' Court, is here.

Professor C. M. Gayley of Berkeley is around the capital.

Frank Pierce and wife of Oakland are here.

HATTON.

THE BILLS AT THE LOCAL PLAYHOUSES.

At the Macdonough theater last night there was an audience which filled the house to witness the production of the new play, "The Sign of the Cross." In the audience, it was noticed, there were many who had been drawn there by a desire to see the struggle which the playwright had fashioned between paganism on the one hand and Christianity on the other.

Those who have read of the struggles of the early Christians, the manner in which they were persecuted by Nero and the bravery with which they met death in all forms rather than worship the idols of Rome, will find in the play an epitome of that stirring record. Nero is pictured as a depraved, wicked, pleasure-loving and cowardly. In "Marcus Superbus" is typified the ascendancy of Christianity over infidelity through the gentle influence of a pure Christian maiden. The part was well played by Chas. Dutton.

The play is superbly mounted and well acted. It is one of the most complete pictures of Roman life in the heroic era which has ever been presented on the stage. The play is well worth the patronage of the people of all classes.

The same piece will be presented this evening.

AT THE DEWEY.

At the Dewey theater last night there was another immense audience to witness John L.